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All Santa Monica Mountain Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Parkland Open

Los Angeles—The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) announced today that all parklands owned or managed by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority parks in the Southern California area will be open January 22, 2009.

Park Rangers will be patrolling the parks and monitoring conditions for park users. Should a situation arise where it is in the interest of public safety to close a park, the park rangers will do so.

Updates will be posted on both the Conservancy and MRCA websites:

www.smmc.ca.gov and www.mrca.ca.gov.

The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is a State agency established by the Legislature in 1980 to strategically buy back, preserve, protect, restore, and enhance

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treasured pieces of Southern California to form an interlinking system of urban, rural, and river parks, open space, trails, and wildlife habitats that are easily accessible to the general public.

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority is a local government public entity dedicated to the preservation and management of open space, urban parkland, watershed lands, trails, and wildlife habitat. The MRCA manages almost 60,000 acres of public parkland that it owns or that is owned by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and other agencies. It is one of the lead agencies revitalizing the Los Angeles River and its tributaries.

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